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SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 01-033

TO: Bonita Elementary District, Florence Unified District, Fort Thomas Unified District, Safford

Unified District, Solomonville Elementary District, Willcox Unified District, Graham County

Superintendent, Pinal County Superintendent, and Cochise County Superintendent

FROM: Maggie Singler

DATE: April 16, 2001

SUBJECT: Assistance to Schools (A.R.S. 15-976)

All required worksheets to claim funding for students whose parents or legal guardians are employed by state institutions or stations as specified in A.R.S. 15-976 are posted on the Department's web site in Excel format (http://www.ade.az.gov/schoolfinance/Forms/). The worksheets are to be completed by the district of attendance. All students reported on these worksheets must be reported on the Membership and Absence Report (ADM) and the special education students on the Special Education Census (SPED) using the appropriate 976 coding. All students should be reported on the four page worksheet entitled "Assistance to Schools Funding Formula Worksheets". For Special Education students the district can choose to claim the Excess Cost (by including these students on the "Assistance to Schools Funding Formula Worksheets"), or if the costs are higher than the calculated Excess Cost may choose to submit the required documentation for the Actual Cost (complete worksheets entitled "Assistance to Schools Actual Cost Funding Formula for Special Education Students").

The student counts for your Assistance to Schools students will be listed on the ADMS 40-1 (Current/Prior Year Residence ADM and ADA report) and the Special Education student counts will be listed under the appropriate 976 CTD number on the SPED 16. Currently the ADMS 40-1 and CEC SPED 16 reports are posted on the Department's web site (http://www.ade.state.az.us/schoolfinance/Districts) on your district's home page.

If you have questions or need assistance in completing these forms please contact me at (602) 542-8244 or e-mail mailto:msingle@ade.az.gov.